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New Years Eve Party Dec. 31

Sierra Madre's Chamber of Commerce has come up with a winning combination for the Community Benefit New Years Eve Party, according to Frank Van Dongen, chamber president-elect and chairman of the event.

The party will take place at the City Recreation Center in Sierra Vista Park, from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m., on Dec. 31, with $7 tickets including dinner and $2 admission only.

The winning combination includes the chance to spend an evening of fun with family and friends, entertained by outstanding professional musicians, magicians and mimes; avoiding the hazards of out-of-town travel on New Years Eve, and, to top it off, having the satisfaction of contributing to a worthwhile community cause.

One-third of all proceeds will be donated toward a much-needed new public address system, to be used to Parks & Recreation for such events as the Art Fair in Memorial Park and ball games at Sierra Vista.

Talented Sierra Madreans who have volunteered their expertise for the gala party include organist Norm Matthews with dance music, and Nancy Williams, leading sing-alongs, with Mattie Kirk as accompanist.

Magic specialist Tim Conaghan will provide additional entertainment and a special presentation will feature Tina Lenert and Mike Caveney, noted mime and magic team.

Jerry Adkins and Hugh Campbell will co-host as masters of ceremony during the evening.

A no-host bar and no-host hors d'oeuvres will be available, together with more than 50 opportunities provided by local merchants and friends of the chamber, and a special grand prize, donated by businesses in the community to add to the excitement.

Van Dongen noted that who may wish to leave the party to view the final flowering of the Rose Float, adjacent to the Rec Center, will have an opportunity to return to the festivities after their viewing, at no additional charge.



Nancy Williams, Mattie Kirk

In addition to raising funds for the P.A. system, proceeds from the party will be utilized by the chamber to help defray the costs of various community activities, such as the Fourth of July Celebration, Christmas Creche, Candlelight Walk, Halloween Window Painting Contest, all sponsored by the chamber.

The chamber receives no support from the city and must depend on special fundraising events, such as the New Years Eve Party, to sustain its business betterment and community benefit endeavors.

Van Dongen noted that those who are unable to attend, but may wish to make a contribution to the public address system project, or one of the other community benefit events sponsored by the chamber, may send their tax-deductible donations, either earmarked for one of the special causes or as an all-encompassing contribution, to the chamber office, 49-C South Baldwin.

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Council decides to contact litigation attorney about recent Group W decision

The Sierra Madre City Council Tuesday evening decided to seek the advice of Henry S. Barbosa, litigation attorney, of Alhambra concerning action against Group W Cable TV's latest response addressing the question of whether or not subscribers residing in Sierra Madre should pay $3 per month for the remote control converters.

Special Counsel Charles Martin declared that the charge levied arbitrarily by the cable company is unlawful and urged citizens not to pay the charge. Some citizens had returned their remote devices to Group W; others had refused to pay the $3 charge for one unit, and the additional $1 for the second unit.

Martin's response in the Dec. 1 issue of the News, "I suggest people deduct $3 and write Group W, explaining that the City Council accepted my opinion that the $3 is illegal."

And for those who have already turned back their devices? "Ask for them back," Martin told the News.

Martin also suggested giving Group W until Dec. 15 to respond to a letter in which he declared the $3 illegal. A response was returned and Special Counsel Martin recommends the matter to be referred for litigation or acceptance of Group W's response.

Joe Biolshi, the new system manager, has indicated that only subscribers with non-remote televisions are to be charged the $3 per month fee. Subscribers who have televisions which were purchased with remote capabilities will not be assessed the new charge, according to Jim McRea, Sierra Madre city administrator.

McRea explained, "That's the official posi-

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Sierra Madrean files suit for 'wrongful death' of spouse

Barbara Hooker and her two sons of Sierra Madre have filed suit against the state and federal governments, charging them with the responsibility of her husband's death by cutting off his Social Security disability benefits.

In the actions filed last Thursday in Los Angeles Superior Court and in the U.S. District Court, Hooker is seeking $6 million in damages for the suicide of her husband, Laurence, on Apr. 17, 1982.

She asks $2.5 million compensatory damages and $1 million punitive damages in federal court, and $2.5 million in compensatory damages in state court, she says.

Hooker terms it a "wrongful death suit" and told the News this is probably the first case of its kind in California. "There are other class actions taking place all over the country. The action was suggested by Larry's psychiatrist, then the American Civil Liberties Union called us."

She says her husband's $1000-a-month benefits were arbitrarily and capriciously terminated. "Larry's psychiatrist, a Social Security psychiatrist and another psychiatrist in the S.S. administration agreed that Larry's paranoid schizophrenia had not improved. His psychiatrist warned that he was suicidal and that his condition would likely deteriorate if he lost his benefits. Yet with all that information before them the decision makers of the Social Security Administration decided he could work."

Laurence Hooker had received benefits since May, 1977, when his illness was diagnosed. He had held several jobs, his wife states, most of them "unsuccessfully." His last job in 1975 was as a dental technician, she says.

Barbara Hooker says her husband's case was reviewed about then and they were not informed that his disability payments were being cut off. They were not aware of the change until after she discovered no more payments were being made into their bank account. They received the last check in August, 1981 and the government later ordered Hooker to repay more than $6000 in "improper benefit payments."

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Emergency phone number to be available after Jan. 7

Beginning Jan. 7, the emergency phone system using the digits 911 should begin in the city of Sierra Madre as well as other cities in Los Angeles county.

According to Sierra Madre Police Chief Bill Betts, that emergency number will be displayed on all city vehicles by then.

The chief stresses that the new system will not be scheduled for public use until Jan. 7 and advises residents to watch the next issue of the Sierra Madre News to make sure there are no postponements.

Emergency calls for police, fire and the emergency medical unit will quickly be answered when citizens seeking help dial 911 from their homes, businesses or pay phones.

This state-mandated emergency telephone system was to have been installed during 1983 to be ready at the beginning of 1984. This new unified emergency number removes the necessity of looking up a number or asking the operator for help when an emergency arises.

Instructions call for a person to dial 911 and after a few questions from the dispatcher the emergency service will be on its way to the caller.

Even if the caller collapses before giving a name, address or phone number, he or she is protected by an added safeguard to the system: an automatic display on a monitor of the caller's address and telephone number assures that emergency services are dispatched to the correct location.

All pay phones will be adjusted so a dial tone is heard as soon as the receiver is lifted so that the caller will have immediate access to the 911 number without inserting a dime.

Betts stresses this new system is for emergencies only. The old system — 355-1414 for police and 355-1401 for fire and medical service — will remain in public use, also.

Rose Float nears completion

By Bill McCullagh

Rotor blades revolve, a dog's tongue wags, and another dog's head moves up and down.

Visitors to the Sierra Madre Rose Float building where Sierra Madre's 1984 entry in the Tournament of Roses Parade is rapidly being completed, will see all of this as the work of Frank Ross and Lee Elswood. These two, starting with just welding rod and a welder's torch, become artists supreme each year on the float.

Soon to be covered with the red petals from a carnation or two is the long rotor blade that will turn slowly as the float makes its way down Colorado Blvd. on Jan. 2.

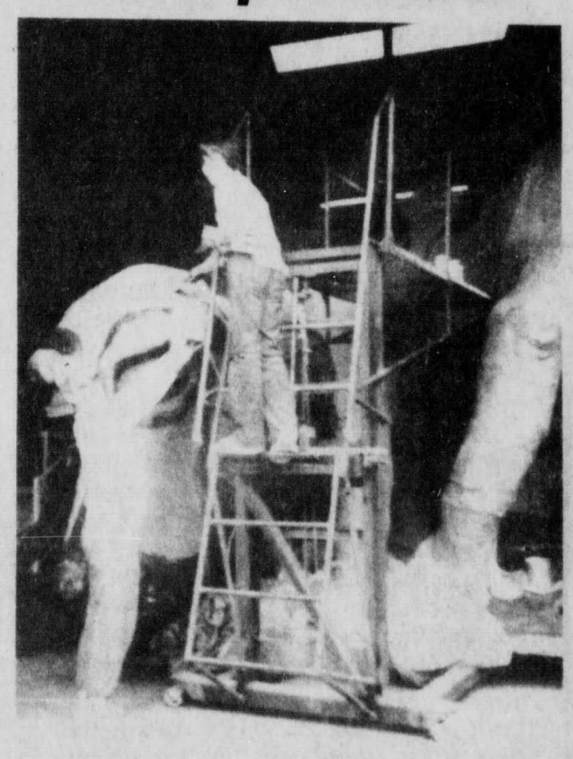
Other sections of the float are already receiving the final coating of dry flowers that cover the foam. Some work remains for the group painting the float and that will be completed by Dec. 28 so that the fresh flowers can be prepared for use in covering the balance of the float.

Workers are reminded that children wanting to work on the float, if they are under 12 years of age, must have an adult working and supervising them. This is required for the safety of the children due to the sections of the float requiring flowers. Persons interested in working on the float should report to the float building located on East Sierra Madre Blvd. behind Sierra Vista Park.

Warm clothing is suggested for those working late afternoons and evenings. The Rose Float Association has a few Tournament of Roses official programs for sale at the float building, also association buttons, T-shirts, and caps.

According to Rose Float Association President Ginny Liskow, the 501C3 papers have been accepted for the association, giving the association the ability

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DOGS BEGIN TO TAKE SHAPE — Will Hooker, 12, and Ginny Liskow, president of the Rose Float Association, worked on covering the Sierra Madre float with paint, preparatory to its layer of flowers, bark and grass. Work has reached a feverish pitch with many community volunteers readying Sierra Madre's offering to be viewed in the traditional Tournament of Roses Parade Jan. 2, 1984.

Sierra Madre News Photo



Under the Pepper Tree

by Jan Reed

● Arlie Hahn was taken to Ross Loos emergency Tuesday morning and was to be moved to Good Samaritan later in the day. Two weeks ago she was taken to Arcadia Methodist and Ross Loos following angina attacks, then she was allowed to go home for Christmas, John says.

She had heart surgery which included five bypasses four years ago and at the same time had a pace maker inserted.

John says doctors are in the process of taking many tests and suggests it might be a possible occlusion in an artery.

● Lucille Nollac fell at her home last week and injured an eye. Surgery was performed at White Memorial Hospital and she's recuperating sufficiently.

● Remember when the Army and Navy boys were out for the big game? And remember they stayed with local families? The inevitable has happened.

A romance sparked almost from the same moment they met for Ann Olson, daughter of Judge and Lila Olson, and Vincent Zaccardi, second classman at Anapolis.

And as could be expected, Ann is on her way out east on Jan. 19 for a looooong weekend.

● Mayor Clem Bar-

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Comment

'This one thing I do'

**By Rev. Stanley Reed
Associate Pastor,
Bethany Church**

As I look backward to my experience of 1983 and forward to the expectations of 1984, I exclaim to my own surprise, "What have I done and what shall I do?" The needs of the world are so great — spiritually, emotionally, intellectually, socially and economically — that unless we focus on the most important, we seem to get engulfed in "these many things I dabble in." The hurry and scurry of the holiday season almost anesthetizes, mesmerizes, and immobilizes even the heartiest of us.

Approaching the new year gives us a chance to adjust the focus of our lives and prepare for another lap in the course. The Apostle Paul in Philippians 3:13, 14 says, "Brethren...I have not arrived yet: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

We have four things here. The past, the prospects, the press and the prize. Speaking these words from a dark, dingy prison cell in Rome tells us Paul was saying to Christian people everywhere — don't falter, do focus, dare follow — the summit is just ahead. Our gift may be small but surrounded by Christ's person and power, (Phil. 3:10) a harmonious melody will be experienced in our lives.

A mother, wishing to encourage her young son's progress at the piano bought tickets for a Paderewski performance (Poland's famous concert pianist and prime minister). When the night arrived, they found their seats near the front of the concert hall and eyed the majestic Steinway waiting on stage.

Soon the mother found a friend to talk to, and the boy slipped away. When eight o'clock arrived, the spotlights came on, they audience quieted, and only then did they notice the boy up on the bench, innocently picking out "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star." His mother gasped, but before she could retrieve her son, the master appeared on the stage and quickly moved to the keyboard.

He whispered to the boy, "Don't quit — keep playing." Leaning over, Paderewski reached down with his left hand and began filling in the bass part. Soon his right arm reached around the other side, encircling the child, to add a running obbligato. Together, the old master and the young novice held the crowd mesmerized.

In our lives, unpolished though we may be, it is the Master who surrounds us and whispers in our ear, time and again, "Don't quit — keep playing." And as we do he augments and supplements until a work of amazing beauty is created.

President Reagan, in musing about the end of this world, in this week's press says, "...Not to the extent of throwing up my hands and saying, 'well, it's over.' No, I think whenever the time comes, the generation that is here will have to go on doing what they believe is right."

I would remind you again, "Don't quit — keep playing."

PERRET-SCOPE

by Gene Perret



Gene Perret reviews 1983 on Page 12.

Notes from the Attic

By Gertrude Gerke

— Dec. 29, 1933: There has been no Rose Parade float for Sierra Madre this year since no provisions were made for financing the project...The original pack train outfitting station here passed out of existence. Established in Sierra Madre Canyon in 1912 by Charles Chantry, it was a beehive of activity for years, changed hands several times, then gradually slipped by the wayside as modern improvements on the trail detoured trade. It finally closed this week.

— Dec. 25, 1958: Lions Club made Pioneer Days plans for next year with Harold Pangborn as chairman...On Christmas night, Frank Loza, local landscape gardener, will board the train for Guadalajara and Mexico City to visit friends and relatives...Mr. and Mrs. J. Bryce Tyler were hosts before the annual Fireman's Ball held at the Woman's Club.

— Dec. 20, 1973: Noble Jefferson's 89-ft. pine tree has more than 2000 light bulbs. It can be seen as far away as Whittier. For the past 15 years Noble has climbed the old canary pine tree in the front yard at 89 Auburn to string lights and the decorations. When the tree is lit it is impossible for Jefferson to use electricity in his house because of the insufficient wattage in the breaker box.

General raises rates

In the first of two expected decisions on General Telephone's request for a $208 million annual rate increase, the California Public Utilities Commission today granted General authority to increase rates $150.5 million a year, or 7.5%.

The increase is interim pending completion of further studies and public hearings on General's full request, with a final PUC decision expected in mid-1984.

The increase is subject to refund should the PUC's final decision find that General needs less than the $150.5 million granted today.

Meanwhile, the interim increase will be collected by means of surcharges on customers' bills.

Pepper Tree

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tolai is not only well-known in our town. He was recently featured in the monthly Lutheran magazine. Bartolai is an elder of Faith Lutheran Church, Pasadena.

● News from the criminal courts building in downtown Los Angeles states that by Dec. 31, they will have filed a record number of 55,000 drunk driving cases — an increase of 30% over 1982 and the most filed by any prosecution agency in the state.

As a means of protection, anyone who sees a drunk driver should report the suspect to the nearest patrol dispatch center by dialing "O" and asking the operator for ZENITH 12000. The California Highway Patrol dispatch center then sends an officer to the location.

The CHP also urges everyone to intervene when a relative, friend of co-worker is about to become a drinking driver.

Through August of 1983, there have been 2633 overall fatal accidents, a 1.2% drop over the previous year. But still too many.

For New Years Eve it's wise for us all to remember this year's campaign slogan, "Alcohol is a crash diet. Take the keys please."

● Newton, Ill. will probably look like a ghost town over New Years since one-third of the town's population is here for the Rose Parade and Rose Bowl game.

Close to 750 residents have chartered a train to accompany the Newton Community High School band to Pasadena. There are only 1800 people in the town.

It will be a special occasion though since the Tournament of Roses President's wife, Rose Queen Ann Marie Colborn and her six-member Royal Court, as well as the Tournament Honor Band from PCC, will be there tomorrow, Friday, Dec. 30, to greet them when their train rolls in at the Pasadena station.

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Public Forum

Unhappy with Group W

(A copy of the following letter was sent to the Sierra Madre City Council and the News. Ed.)

Near the end of last August, I was notified that equipment modifications would be made in our area that would improve the neighborhood Cable TV reception. We were warned that while this work was being performed, there would be some disruption of service. This notice was sent by GWC of Sierra Madre, Ca. However, they deny any knowledge of it or any modifications resulting in temporary disruption service, and two remote control units. During the month of Sept., 1983 I estimate our TV reception was at approximately 50%. A program would disappear in the middle and be replaced with another show or the reception would just fade or become scrambled. It didn't matter which channel the TV was tuned to. By the end of September, the reception cleared up and there have been no problems since.

Because of the notification from your company, we assumed GWC didn't require a formal complaint from us, so none was made. When I received the bill for the next month, I prorated for the disrupted service and deducted 50% from my payment. A note explaining what was included in my payment. It was ignored and a past due notice was sent to me. This continued until Nov. when I contacted GWC of S.M. in Arcadia, Ca. Their response was no record of trouble call or service performed and please call if reception is unacceptable. They missed or ignored the point entirely.

Since I do not want my service cut off and your GWC of SM company is insensitive to the needs of the community, I have cancelled my subscription to Showtime and turned in one remote control unit. The dollar amount I refused to pay in Sept. was $12.07. The amount you are losing from my cancellation will be $143.40 per year.

Copies of this letter have been sent to the Customer Service Supervisor at GWC of Sierra Madre, the Sierra Madre City Council, and the Sierra Madre News.

R. L. Towne

NOTES FROM WASHINGTON

By Dorcas R. Hardy

I would like to share with you an effort that is very dear to me, and which is beginning to yield real results. Soon after I came to Washington, I became aware of the more than 50,000 children with special needs waiting to be adopted. These are school age children, siblings, children with handicaps, and minority youngsters.

My agency, the Office of Human Development Services, started a national campaign to help find permanent families for these children. All kinds of people all over the country have pitched in to help.

Right here in Los Angeles County 521 children were adopted in 1981-82, 92% of these were children with "special needs." I recently presented awards to Patty Ecker, of KNXT-TV's "Wednesday's Child" and Bill Welsh of Metromedia Television's "11s Kids" for their efforts.

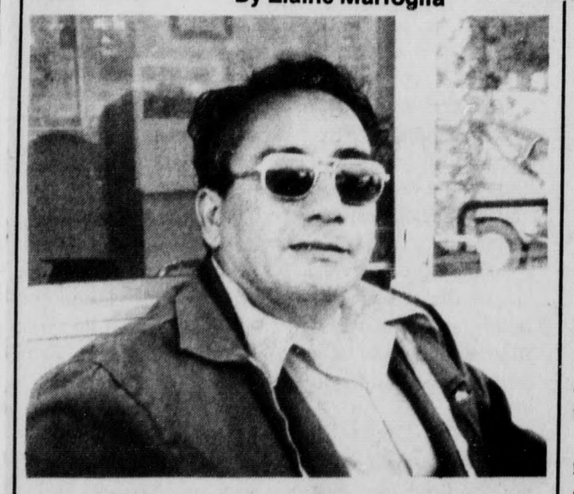
Federal funding policy now encourages adoption. Adoptive parents are as diverse as the children, — they may have another handicapped child, be older with grown children or be single.

Let's find homes for the thousands of other children who are counting on us. Please, think about these children and contact your local social services agency or call the National Adoption Exchange at (215) 925-0200.

Be someone special — adopt a special needs child.

Getting to know you...

By Elaine Marfoglia



GILBERT VASQUEZ is a specialist in the street department who does "everything from paving, cement work, setting rocks, setting blocks," he says. Gilbert started working for the city of Sierra Madre in 1967 and has been with the street department ever since.

He worked in construction for 16 years before coming to Sierra Madre, mostly in constructing swimming pools, he explains.

He describes Sierra Madre as a "good town" and says he works with "a good crew."

Vasquez is married, lives in Azusa, and says all three of his daughters are gone from home.

When you see him on the street, say "hello."

Chamber board meets Jan. 10

Board of Directors of the Sierra Madre Chamber of Commerce will meet the second Tuesday, Jan. 10, instead of the traditional first Tuesday one time only.

They invite other chamber members to be present at the meeting, 7:30 a.m. at the council chambers.

Police Blotter

—Dec. 20: There was a traffic collision between an auto and a bicycle in the 100 block of W. Sierra Madre Blvd. There were no injuries.
—Dec. 21: Cash equaling $1500 was taken from a cash drawer in the 100 block of W. Sierra Madre Blvd.

A VW was stolen from the 300 block of W. Sierra Madre Blvd. and later recovered in the San Dimas area. Two males, 19 and 20, of Pomona were apprehended, arrested and have been arraigned in Pomona.

—Dec. 22: A tape deck and receiver worth $600 were taken from a church in the 100 block of W. Sierra Madre Blvd.

Rear vehicle louvres worth $120 were stolen from an auto in the 200 block of Santa Anita Court.

—Dec. 23: A male, 18, of Arcadia was arrested for being drunk in public in the 600 block of E. Sierra Madre Blvd.

—Dec. 24: A male, 20, of Sierra Madre was arrested for being drunk in public in the 100 block of W. Sierra Madre Blvd.

Tools and a tool box worth $460 were taken from a garage in the 300 block of E. Highland.

An antique wheelbarrow worth $50 was taken from the 500 block of W. Highland.

An auto ran into a stop sign and received minor damage at Baldwin and Orange Grove.

Jewelry worth $2500 was taken during a burglary in the 600 block of Oak Crest. The suspect broke a kitchen window to enter unlawfully. The burglary was sometime during the night.

—Dec. 25: Suspects broke a window in the 100 block of W. Sierra Madre Blvd.

—Dec. 26: Handle grips worth $200 were taken from a bicycle in the 600 block of E. Sierra Madre Blvd.

Old Fashioned

Tips, Tales & Tantalizers

New Years

I can't believe that it's almost 1984, and soon we'll be drinking Wassail (which means to be well) and toasting to one another's health and prosperity.

New Years is man's oldest holiday, and is celebrated all around the world, at different times, depending on which calendar you use.

All nations that use the Gregorian calendar will celebrate New Years on January 1. That means it's time for us to bring out the old noisemakers; horns, bells and whistles to send out the evil of the year and welcome in the good. In fact, to ensure a good year, we could hire the "first footer," which would be the first person to cross the threshold, after the New Year has begun. If he is dark, and brings food, or a gift, you can bet it will be a great year! (Some people actually follow this superstition.)

While you raise a glass of champagne to toast the New Year, you might be interested to learn how other people of the world celebrate this holiday.

Celebrating the birth of the New Year is an age- old custom marked by people everywhere and in many different ways.

In China of old, people welcomed the holiday by cleaning house, paying their debts and setting off a merry round of firecrackers, a custom still seen in many "Chinatown" areas of major American cities.

The New Year has strong religious significance in Japan where young and old don new clothes to visit family and friends. Doors and gateposts are adorned with gay decorations, standing for the traditional wishes of long life and happiness.

In France and Scotland, New Year's Day holds more importance than Christmas. It's time for adults to exchange gifts in France. In Scotland, tradition holds that the first one in a house on New Year's Day brings luck. Midnight celebrators carry cakes and spiced ale to wish their hosts a good year.

The Italian celebration is part of the entire Yuletide Festival that continues through Twelfth Night, Jan. 6.

Americans see in the New Year with a blend of customs brought here by the many cultures of our ancestors.

One very well-known superstition of New Years is that whatever you are doing at the stroke of midnight on December 31 to the first minute of January 1, is what you will be doing the rest of the year...so plan your first minute carefully, and have a very happy New Year.

Gaylee Muschett

Arcadia 'shareholders' donate to Rose Float

Jack Wells rang the door bell twice, waited patiently and was just about to turn away when someone finally opened the door. He understood right away why it took so long for the occupant to respond.

The elderly lady who greeted him with a smile was holding onto a metal walker. Wells identified himself as a member of the Arcadia Tournament of Roses Association, seeking donations for the 1984 float. Her reply made him realize that if anyone was slow, it was the association's solicitors, not the woman with the walker.

She had clipped out an article on the association's door-to-door drive and, according to Wells, said she had "waited all weekend for someone to come around." The woman then wrote a check.

This incident, which occurred seven weeks ago, has a sequel. This week, Wells and his wife, Kaye, will drive the woman to view Arcadia's float, "In Her Majesty's Service," while it undergoes last-minute decorating at Festival Artists in Azusa.

The woman, along with more than 1000 other Arcadians, became "shareholders" of the float by making donations during Arcadia Rose Float Week, which ended last Nov. 6. The week-long drive raised $10,500, topping last year's effort by more than $3000. When expenses are deducted, the campaign will still net $10,200, according to Larry Papay, co-chairman of the Rose Float Week Committee.

Roy Long, the top solicitor during the drive, said that "all households contributed" on his block, consisting of more than 25 residences on Encanto Drive between Golden West and Altura. "People are very supportive of Arcadia's float," he explained.

Fittingly, "A Salute to the Volunteer" is the theme of the 1984 Rose Parade. Arcadia's entry depicts a 16-foot-tall Sir Walter Raleigh laying his cape on the ground to provide a dry spot for the queen to walk.

Bob Harbicht, who organized a mail campaign in conjunction with the door-to-door effort, reported that business contributions were also higher this year during Rose Float Week. One factor, said Harbicht, was the new "1984 Club" in which donors were invited to attend a special preview showing of the float in exchange for an $84 contribution.

—J.S.G.



CHRISTMAS CAROLS PERK UP CHRISTMAS DOLDRUMS — Mama Pete's Nursery School wandered through the town just before Christmas to brighten everyone's spirits with Christmas carols. Mama Pete — Marjorie Peterson — is shown on the right in front of the News Christmas tree.

Sierra Madre News Photo

The whales have arrived

The annual California gray whale migration through Channel Islands National Park off the coast of Ventura has begun.

An estimated 10,000 - 15,000 whales pass through park waters on their 8000-mile round-trip migration from the Bering Sea to the quiet warm waters of the Lagoons of Baja, Ca. where they mate and bear young. Whales tend to be sighted most often around mid-channel and beyond the islands as they travel southward toward Mexico.

Substantial numbers are in the Anacapa Island area during the last week of December and through the month of January. During February fewer sightings can be expected as the maority of southward migrating whales have passed, but there are still some going south, some whales already going north and some seemingly just loitering around Anacapa Island.

March is an excellent whale-watching month as large numbers migrate northward, usually closer to the mainland shore than when traveling south. By mid-April the migration is over in the Channel Islands National Park.

Beginning Dec. 26, daily all-day and half-day whale watching trips are scheduled. For information, schedules and reservations call 805-642-1393.

Host families sought

Sierra Madrean Fumio Mori and two of his friends, Mike Yuasa and Shohei Wada, are looking for American host families to participate in a Japanese college students' culture exchange program in February, March and April of 1984.

The three men have formed "Universal Unity" and have 15 youth arriving Feb. 18, 1984, and on March 10 and Apr. 28, as part of the program.

Anyone wishing to be an American host family should contact the men at 355-2820, 299-5636 or 282-4243.

VA questionnaire

L.A. VA Regional Office Director Dr. Lois High reminds pensioners who have received the agency's Annual Income Questionnaire (AIQ) to be sure to return it immediately to avoid benefit interruption on Jan. 1, 1984.

The AIQ was mailed to VA pensioners on or about Nov. 1. Those who did not receive a questionnaire, should contact the VA Regional Office either in person or by telephone. VA counselors are standing by to help in completing the questionnaire.

Veterans can call the toll-free number, 1-800-352-6592. Any accredited veterans servie organization will also help.

Sierra Madre News readers are the best buyers.

Ex-POW info hotline

A special toll-free telephone information hotline for former prisoners of war has been inaugurated by the Veterans Administration, according to Dr. Lois High, director of the Los Angeles VA Regional Office.

The 24-hour toll-free number, 1-800-821-8139, is available to over 93,000 ex-POWs nationwide, and will be staffed by a select group of POW specialists from the Washington, D.C., Regional Office during regular business hours (8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. EST). After-hours and weekend callers may leave a recorded message on the hotline.

Sierra Madrean is Barbershoppers head

Incoming officers of the Arcadia Gaslight Chorus, local chapter of the Society for Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America, will be installed at the annual chorus banquet on Jan. 7, at a banquet to be held at The Embers Restaurant at 7:30 p.m.

The new 1984 officers are Bob Leighton, Sierra Madre, president; Gordon Welsh, Baldwin Park, membership VP; Ernie Yates, Alhambra, program VP; Bob Weber, Arcadia, secretary; and Dick Bossert, Temple City, treasurer.

Installing officer will be Beryl Caron, Los Angeles, International Board Member SPEBSQSA.

Santa Anita Players present Christmas play

The Santa Anita Players under the direction of Gary Toops, chairman of the Mt. San Antonio College Music Department, will present Menotti's "Amahl and the Night Visitors" in the Tower of Light of the Santa Anita Church, Arcadia, Jan. 8 at 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available in the church office at $4 each.

"Traditionally the Wise Men came to the Christ Child on the eve of Epiphany, or 12 nights after Christmas," Toops said, "and Menotti's opera commemorates that event. It tells the story of a poor crippled boy and his mother who received a surprise visit from the three kings who were following a star."

Featured in the production are April Meredith as Amahl, Lora Bennitt as his mother, Howard Sheppard as King Kaspar, Carver Cassey as King Melchior and Bruce Remsberg as King Balthazar.

Cassey is soloist with the Pacific Chorale and the Pasadena Chamber Chorale. Remsberg is soloist with the Roger Wagner Chorale and Director of Music at St. George's Episcopal Church in Laguna Hills. Lora Bennitt is occasional soloist at the Santa Anita Church and April Meredith is a student at Barnhart School.

by Joe Delgatto



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WOMAN'S BEST FRIEND — Ethel Huff enjoyed the soft warmth of a puppy which snuggled into her lap for a good nap.



PET FINDS WELCOME LAP — Percy Albert got acquainted with a ferret that curled up for a few winks.



A SOFT, FUZZY RABBIT — Florence Kearney at Sierra Madre Community Hospital chose to hold a warm, fluffy rabbit because she used to have a rabbit ranch, she says.



AFRAID OF SNAKES? — Heavens no. Jean Key shows her fearlessness when she held the boa constrictor while others shied away and said, "No, thank you."

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Opportunities for New Years

Frank Van Dongen, chairman of the Community New Year's Eve Party, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, announced the names of Sierra Madre merchants who are donating opportunities for the gala event.

The prizes range from a camera to a decorative pillow and food baskets to a shower head.

A special feature will be a number of prize cymbidiums from the noted collection of Victor Daniels.

A grand prize, contributed by business and professional people of the community also will be awarded to some lucky winner during the evening.

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"The chamber is truly grateful to all our business and professional people and merchants who have contributed so generously to assure the success of our Community New Year's Eve Party," Van Dongen stated.

New Years Eve

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An associate membership in the chamber may be obtained for $35 a year, with organizational memberships offered for $50 a year. Regular membership is $85 a year. All are tax-deductible.

"The chamber's number one priority for 1984 is going to be expansion of our membership and participation by all members in our community betterment programs," Van Dongen stated. "Out goal is to see everybody working, hand in hand, for the benefit of Sierra Madre. To start us off, the 1983 New Years Eve Party will be the best ever and bring in 1984 as the best ever year for Sierra Madre.

Tickets for the party may be secured at Abacus, Bank of America, the Bottle Shop, the chamber office, Frank's Fresh Fish, Happy's Wines & Spirits, Highlander Liquor, Imperial Savings & Loan, Touch of France and the News.

Further information concerning the New Years Eve Party or contributions to the chamber may be obtained by calling the chamber office, 355-5111, between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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Thank you for your generous support in making the Army-Navy football game a reality in Pasadena. This venture would not have been possible without the people of California housing and feeding the 9000 Midshipmen and Cadets of the United States Naval Academy and West Point. This was the largest military airlift in history and was not paid for by the United States Government but by Californians.

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CHRISTMAS IN THE VILLA — Dr. Elizabeth B. Broome, principal at Alverno High School, is flanked by Gilda Martin and Cellie Taaffe, co-chairwomen, at the Parents' Association Christmas evening at the Villa of Alverno High School. Robert Berkeley donated two, 8-ft. trees. Parents enjoyed a buffet supper as they listened to Christmas caroling by Alverno chorus under the direction of Lorraine Palmer. Dr. Broome greeted the 200 parents in attendance.

Photo courtesy Alverno High School



SURPRISE PARTY FOR JOE GRIPPI — When Joe Grippi stopped in at the fire station last Wednesday to help stuff stockings to be given to local children at Santa's visitation Christmas Eve, he didn't realize he would be the center of the whole party. The group of friends helped him celebrate his 70th birthday that day and are shown here enjoying his cake. Here are Rowena Wingate, Nancy Solury, Joe, Millie Solury, former Fire Chief Charlie Brown and Richard Mays.

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GT pays record taxes

A continuing statewide investment in facilities and equipment by General Telephone of California was reflected Dec. 12 when the company paid its first installment of a record $45.5 million in city and county property taxes for fiscal 1983-84.

The sum is based on a $3.9 billion assessment of the value of the company's property throughout the state.

Taxes in this foothill area paid were as follows: Arcadia, $19,224,75; Bradbury $1445.92; Monrovia, $351,018.06; Pasadena, $76,620.12; and Sierra Madre, $74,654.49.

This amount represents a nearly 12.5% increase over the $40.5 million spent in property taxes that General paid.

Wagner - Macy engagement set

Mr and Mrs. Howard Wagner of Sierra Madre have announced the engagement of their daughter, Susannah, to James Macy, son of Patrisha Wunsch of South Pasadena and Paul Macy of Sepulveda.

The couple plans a garden wedding at the home of an aunt and uncle of the bride, Jack and Marty Hisey of Arcadia.

The bride attended Sierra Mesa, Edison, Eliot Junior High and Pasadena High School.

The bridegroom attended La Canada High and graduated from South Pasadena High School.

Lucy Wagner is grandmother of the bride.



Susannah Wagner, James Macy

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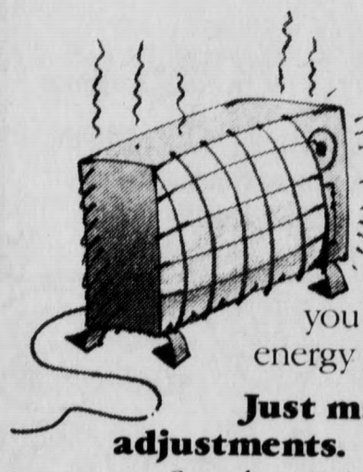
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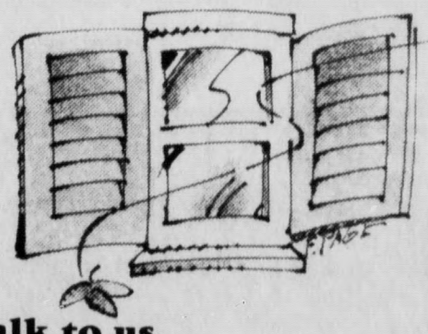
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Self-taught engineer still works at age 85

Lloyd Taylor doesn't know what all the fuss is about. So he's still working every day at Sierra Engineering at the age of 85. So what? There's work to be done.

Actually he retired officially once, but when there were "problems with the tooling trim fixtures in the helmet department" in the Sierra Madre-based firm, officials there tapped his shoulder and asked him to return.

"I came back when I was 80," the on-the-job working engineer states.

"No, I'm not a graduate engineer . . . I only finished grammar school. At the end of the 8th grade, I had typhoid fever and created such a big doctor bill that I had to go to work to pay off the bill," he said. He never went back for formal training.

"When I was 14, I put a washing machine engine in a bicycle frame. Today, I don't know how I ever made that (small gasoline engine) run." That was the beginning for Taylor of building machine and "whipping problems" with machines.

And now he has come up with an engine that does away with emission controls. The engine takes less tooling, is much lighter and lasts longer. "You see, you derive more energy when it's (the engine) more efficient. With my engine you get more power and save gas."

He shakes his head. "My program would be contrary to all their own teachings."

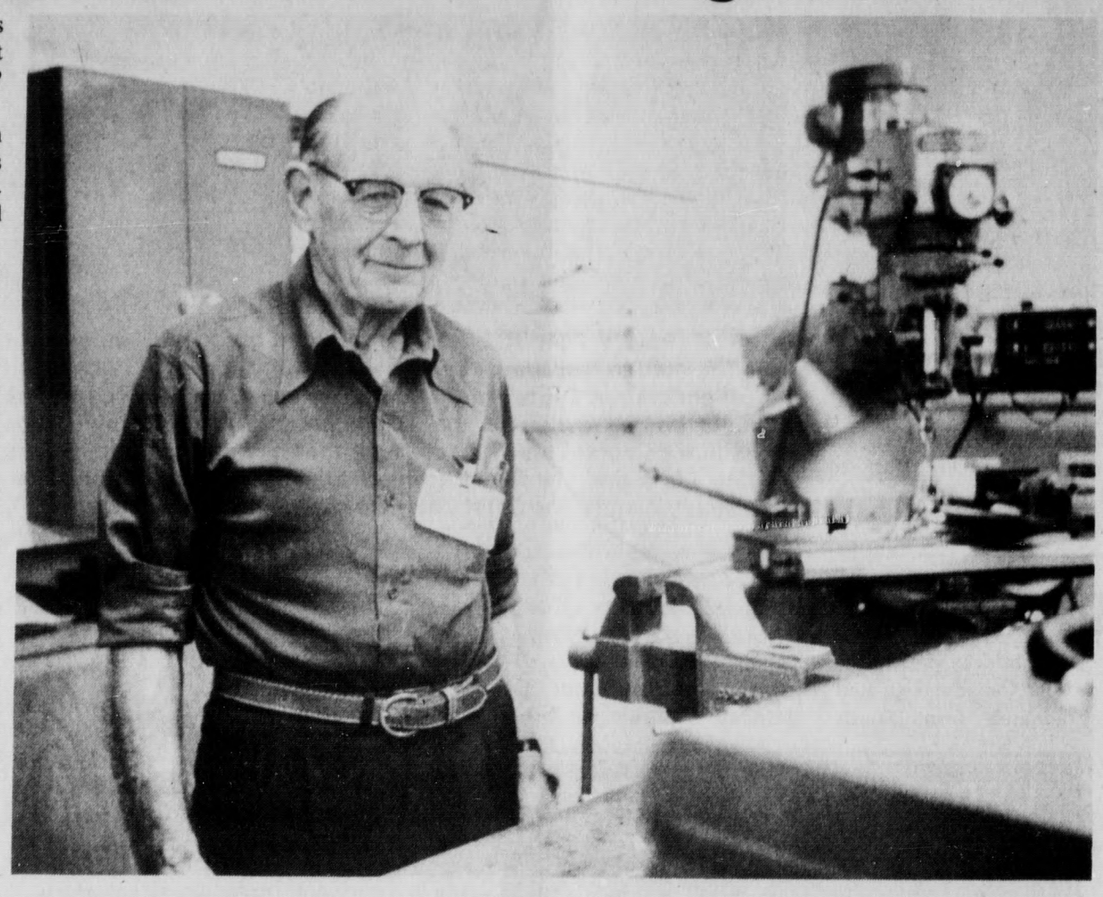
Whose teachings?

"General Motors, that's who. It's the tooling. They try to do it with castings but it's the tooling. You see, there are thick spots on the cylinder heads of the engine. These thick spots create heat so they become hot spots. We eliminated those hot spots. It's hard to explain. You see, on the average car today, compression is 8 to 8½ to 11. I'm carrying 11 to one and running on lead-free gas. Higher compression, more efficiency," he acts a bit impatient that the reporter knows so little about engines.

The secret then? "It's in the copper brazing oven. I stumbled onto the secret to make everything simple. It's contrary to the usual method. They say it couldn't be done but I have proof. One engine I built wore a car out and is still going.

"Sometime I wonder if they (General Motors engineers) didn't want to be proven wrong. Of course, they have to plan for years ahead. They'd have to change it (factory method) all over. They try to do it with castings and now they're involved so deeply. This engine lasts too long for them," he shows more impatience, this time with General Motors engineers.

How about gasohol? Is it as efficient as we hear? "Oh yes, it works very good. That's another thing. They've got their axes to grind. Their chief engineer sets up the program and that's it."



Lloyd Taylor

The 85-year-old man is disgusted that young men are so set in their ways and don't want to investigate his engine.

Have the Japanese car manufacturers seen this engine? "They know about it and are trying to figure on how I did it. When they do, they'll have it whipped."

At Scott Aviation he does a lot of designing and "all the nasty things no one likes to do. I've done so many things in my life. Experience has carried me. I've been a welder, machinist, designed and built engines. I designed the old Crosley engine. That was in the early '40s."

He admits to knowing Amelia Earhart but wasn't impressed. "In 1922 I was with Pacific Air Transport. That turned into United Airlines." He reminisces in patches about working on the Ryan plane, "The forerunner of Lindbergh's plane." Lindbergh was the first human to solo over the Atlantic to Europe.

"We had no radio communications in those days. They flew by the seat of their pants. We'd call a farmer in the Sacramento Valley to get weather reports." He shakes his head again, this time in wonder. "They'd leave San Diego at midnight and wind up in Seattle with the mail the next noon."

He helped redesign a plane for Ernie Smith, "the first civilian to reach Honolulu. My quess is that was about 1928. The plane had a weak landing gear and wouldn't handle the gasoline load." Taylor fixed it.

In looking back, what are his memories? "Exciting and wonderful." He never learned to fly, however.

Back from his "retirement," Taylor and his wife live in Monrovia.

"You know, the birthday party they (Scott Aviation employees) had for me Nov. 6 was the first party I ever had," he smiles, a little misty-eyed. Then it was back to business. Gruff and meticulous, ready to go back to work, to problem-solving.

Council decides

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forming structures.

Councilman Carlyle Griffin was the lone dissenter with Mayor Clem Bartolai, Mayor Pro Tem Tom Edwards and Councilman Charles Corp voting in favor of the ordinance that says property owners must "make whole" by conforming any non-conforming buildings. The ordinance also applies retroactively to those removed, destroyed or demolished within the past 2½ years.

A year is provided as an interim to accomplish reconstruction for prior structures removed, destroyed or demolished. Any structures so removed in the future will require reconstruction prior to 180 days.

Warden responded negatively when he referred to property jointly owned by himself and William Sullivan Sr. at 450 N. Baldwin. Garages on the apartment house property, supposedly dating from 1925 were torn down, as ordered by the Planning Commission, and a parking lot was installed against the wishes of neighbors led by Howard Miller.

tion (of Group W) at the moment."

Local business licenses, except the contractors' license, will jump approximately 20% over the license fees that have been static for several years. Contractors' fees were raised to $80 last year.

As of Jan. 1, fees will rise in many cases about $8 each, i.e., 148 fixed location businesses, 27 manufacturing, 19 professional and 11 real estate licensees will pay about $50 instead of the $42.

Retail delivery, wholesale delivery and apartments will jump from $24 yearly to $29. Home occupation will go from $30 to $36.

In other business, in spite of what Hugh Warden explained was today's horoscope for his zodiac sign, he chose to explode over the City Council's passing Ordinance No. 1011, non-con-

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SIERRA MADREAN SURPRISED WITH GIFT — Virginia Bellemeur of Sierra Madre (left), was surprised with the gift of a handmade quilt at the Hastings Ranch Nursery School recently. The quilt was composed of 70 blocks drawn by the children, parents and staff of the school. Bellemeur is leaving after having been director for 16 years. Also shown are Sue Vincent, president of the board of directors, and Elva Reid, new director of the school.

Photo courtesy Hastings Ranch Nursery School

Sierra Madrean files for 'wrongful death'

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"There was no money in our account; we had no money to buy food. They just stopped the checks. It was a most cruel way (to let us know). I was confident they would reinstate us but he (Laurence, her husband) wasn't. It really did a number on us. We refiled for reconsideration and submitted documents again and still they came up with the same conclusion (that her husband could work). My husband's lifeline was cut. His self image was nothing. He wanted to be able to buy food for his children and he couldn't. He became very frustrated and would break furniture or windows. He was very unstable and in February the children and I took refuge in a shelter in Pasadena. In April he killed himself."

Two years ago the disability payments were pared down.

Last June the Social Security Administration was ordered to reinstate the disability payments to at least 30,000 persons in the western states who had been cut off from the rolls. Laurence Hooker was one of those. In a class action suit, Judge William Gray, U.S. District Court, found against the Social Security Adminstration, that they had ignored evidence proving that many of those who had lost benefits continued to suffer from severe disabilities.

Judge Gray gave the Social Security Administration 60 days in which to reinstate benefits to anyone unimproved with physicial and mental condition who was cut from disability rolls. The decision is being appealed.

How is Hooker supporting herself and her children? With Social Security survivor benefits until her children are of age. The benefits equal about $1000 per month, the same amount her husband received before his disability benefits were cut off in 1981. Her older child is 12, the younger, 10.

The Hookers have been in Sierra Madre for 1½ years, moving here from Newport.

Teenagers sought

Teenage girls throughout California are signing up in their local hometown preliminaries to compete for thousands of dollars in scholarships and prizes as well as vieing for the title of Miss American Teenager of California Mar.6 -10 aboard the legendary Queen Mary in Long Beach.



SMART STARTS OUT WITH BANG — Requests for vouchers for SMART, Sierra Madre's new inexpensive transportation, started out with a bang. Shown here is Herb Shollenberger assisting Jane Estes, a passenger in his taxi. Vouchers — payment for rides — may be obtained at Sierra Madre City Hall, 355-7135.

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Arcadia Juniors

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Council decides

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Warden and Sullivan both deplored being asked to upgrade the property retroactively.

"All we're trying to do is get parking for our 13 tenants," Warden told the council. "We've spent $65,000 on the property to update it. You have to be kidding. Go on. We'll fight it."

McRea reiterated that this ordinance will not solve the problem at 450 N. Baldwin "but it will prevent this type of problem from happening in the future."

The previous ordinance simply stated that property owners had the choice of "rehabilitating or demolishing" the problem. The Planning Commission passed on a nuisance abatement on 450 N. Baldwin. The landlords demolished the antiquated garages and chose to install a parking lot instead of carports as the Planning Commission had suggested.

Methodist offers rehab

Because the family is so important in the rehabilitative process following a stroke, Methodist Hospital's Rehab Team has organized a support system for families called Family Group.

The first series of six meetings are scheduled from 6 until 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays Jan. 4 through Feb. 8.

Stepparents' class

In order to provide support for stepparents, the Pasadena - Foothill Valley YWCA is sponsoring free four - week informational series called "The Stepfamily." This series will focus on problems encountered by stepfamilies.

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Magical Europe with Tina and Mike

Tina Lenert and Mike Caveney, both Sierra Madreans, plan to volunteer their extraordinary talent for the Community Benefit New Years Eve Party Dec. 31. The party starts at 7 p.m. and includes dinner. Read here about one of their many exciting trips. Ed.)

When Tina Lenert and Mike Caveney toured the Continent for five weeks, they saw a very different Europe than most tourists see.

Tina is a noted professional mime and her husband Mike is an internationally acclaimed magician, and they saw the Europe of magic and mime, filled with acrobats and jugglers, wire walkers and animal acts.

Their tour started with the International Federation of Magic's Congress in Lausanne, Switzerland, the Olympics of the world of magic, with four days of international competition and performances. Here, their books on the ancient art of conjuring sold, of course, like magic.

Mike feels the circuses in Europe are infinitely superior to anything in America. The emphasis is on quality, rather than quantity, skill, rather than razzle-dazzle. It is a family tradition, nurtured from generation to generation and the tradition abounds, with 12 or 13 circuses in Italy alone, which is about the size of California, traveling year-round with performances.

They stayed in campgrounds, which often were so crowded, they ended up alongside the road or in parks. If it sounds like "Europe on the Cheap," Mike figured the camped rental and gas came to $80 a day, but it afforded a freedom akin to the gypsies and they followed the pathways of vagabonds, meandering through each country without any destination goals or schedules, except those dictated by the next circus.

In southern Italy they found wonderful warm people in the tiny 2000-year-old village of Pacentro where they looked up a man who had lived with Tina's family in Caracas, Venezuela, when Tina was a child. Mike labeled Pacentro "mind-boggling." They felt as if they had been transported by a time machine 2000 years into the past.

A personally-conducted tour of Rome came from a visit to a friend who owns a magic shop in the City of Romulus and Remus.

Touring up the east coast of Italy, along the Italian Riviera, they stopped in Florence, and ate a pizza across from the Leaning Tower. Pizza has become a "thing" with Tina, who was searching for the "world's best pizza." Perhaps not the world's best, but possibly the world's most scenic pizza.

They wound their way through the French Alps, visited Cannes, the site of the famed film festivals, and tracked down the Circus Knie, the Swiss National Circus, in Lucerne.

In Monaco they found another friend, a pianist who accompanied Mike on a cruise ship stint four years ago. They attended his performance in Monte Carlo.

Returning to Munich, they stumbled onto a bicycle race in Stutgart, accompanied by street performers, jugglers, magicians and variety shows.



Tina Lenert, Mike Caveney

They wound up their life as gypsies with a "Last Supper" beside the Rhine and flew to London, where they assumed the life of celebrities, appearing on BBC's Paul Daniels Show, the Johnny Carson Show of England.

Their fee for their two five-minute stints on the show paid for the entire five-week trip and BBC treated them to the fanciest hotels and London's finest wines and dines.

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Mr. and Mrs. Cordischi

Austad becomes Mrs. John Cordischi

Stacy Ellen Austad, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Austad of Sierra Madre, and Louis John Cordischi Jr. were married Dec. 10 at Bethany Church in Sierra Madre. The double ring ceremony took place at 5 p.m. and Rev. Stanley Reed performed the rites.

The bride chose a satin and lace champagne colored wedding gown. She carried a bouquet of white carnations and red roses.

Kathy Holland of Monrovia was maid of honor.

Gerald Skinner, Los Angeles, served as best man. Both Sgt. Skinner and Officer Cordischi are members of the Sierra Madre Police Dept.

A wedding reception was held at the Senior Citizens House in Sierra Madre.

The bride graduated from Pasadena High School. The bridegroom is a graduate of the United States Armed Forces Institute. He attended El Segundo High School, Pasadena City College, Rio Hondo College, and graduated from USC with a degree in juvenile delinquency.

The couple is at home in Altadena.

Scout workshops

The Sierra Madres Girl Scout Council will be offering an all day workshop entitled "The World of Girl Scouting" on Jan. 21 at PCC from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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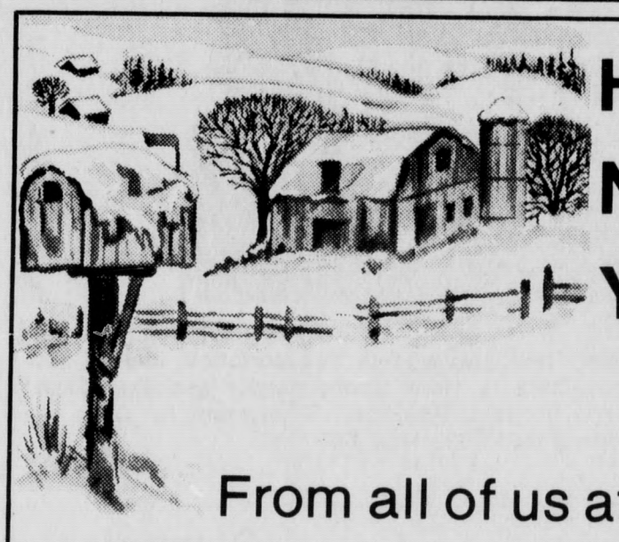
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Bethany Church

The schedule of activities at Bethany Churcc of Sierra Madre for the week of Jan. 1 includes:

Sunday — 9-10:15, Sunday School for all ages; 10:30-11:40, morning worship with Dr. Robert Schaper. (No other services or activities scheduled).

Monday — church offices closed.

Tuesday — 7 a.m., men's prayer breakfast; 9 a.m., ladies prayer meeting; 7 p.m., all boards and committees meet; 7:30 p.m., Achievers Bible study

Wednesday — 7 - 7:30 p.m., midweek prayer meeting; 7:30 - 8 p.m., "Meet Our Seminarians"; 7:30 - 9 p.m., Chancel Choir rehearsal; 7:30 p.m., Jr. High, Sr. High, college Bible studies.

Thursday — 10:15 a.m., Bible study for new believers.

United Methodist

This Sunday, the first day of the new year, the Sierra Madre United Methodist Church will share in the traditional Covenant Service of John Wesley. The service comes from 1755 and the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered as part of the service. This year, 1984, is the bicentennial year of Methodism in America. The Sierra Madre Church begins its observance with this special service at 9:30 a.m.

In addition to the pastor, Rev. H. Elwood Wissmann, also participating in the service will be the Rev. Dr. H. Newton Malony.

There will be no Church School classes this Sunday, however, nursery and child care will be provided during the worship service. The Worship Committee meets on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. The Aldersgate Choir rehearses on Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

Congregational

The title of Pastor Anderson's sermon message on Sunday, Jan. 1, 1984 will be "Let's Soar in '84." The scriptural reference for his message will be Isaiah, Chapter 40, verse 31. This new year can be the best year of your life if you discover how to soar with the wings of faith in the promises of God. The three Sunday morning worship services are at 8:30, 9:45, and 11:15 a.m.

There will not be a Sunday evening service on New Years Day.

On Saturday at 11 p.m. there will be a New Years Eve Communion Watchnight Service in the main sanctuary of the church.

Ascension

The weekly schedule for Church of the Ascension includes the following:

— Sunday, 8 a.m., Eucharist (said); 9 a.m., adult study class; 9:45 a.m. church school; 10 a.m., Eucharist (said), (First Sunday — 5 p.m. — Evensong and Benediction).

— Monday, 6 p.m., Mass.

— Tuesday, 6 p.m., Mass; 7:30 p.m., St. mary's Guild (second Tuesday), 7:30 p.m., vestry meeting, third Tuesday.)

— Wednesday, noon, Mass; 6 p.m., Mass; 7:30 p.m. adult study.

— Thursday, 7 a.m., Mass; 9:30 a.m., St. Francis Guild (first Thursday); 7:30 p.m. choir rehearsal.

— Friday, 9 a.m., Mass and Healilng; 9:45 a.m., Bible study.

— Saturday, 9 a.m., Mass; 5 p.m., — Confessions (second Saturday — 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Quiet Day).

Edison raises rates again

The California Public Utilities Commission has granted Southern California Edison authority to increase rates 2.4%, or $96,366,000 a year, to compensate the utility for increased costs of operations and financing in 1984. The new rates become effective Jan. 1.

The increase will add 92¢ a month to residential bills for a typical winter usage of 500 kilowatthours.

TURN, a consumer group, challenged part of Edison's rate request. In response to one of its concerns, the PUC said it would closely monitor legal action the utility has taken against Westinghouse to recover the costs of certain repairs made at San Onofre nuclear generating Unit 1. These costs, totaling $14.2 million, will be subject to refund should the PUC ultimately determine that Edison is not pursuing its legal remedies in good faith.

Obituaries

Alice H. Murphy

Funeral services were planned for Wednesday, 10:30 a.m. for Alice H. Murphy, 88, who died Dec. 24 at Arcadia Hospital. Mrs. Murphy's Rosary service was to be Tuesday, Dec. 27, 7 p.m. at St. Rita's Catholic Church.

Father Robert Gara officiated and interment was at Resurrection Cemetery.

The deceased was born in San Francisco and had been a homemaker for 70 years. She had lived in Sierra Madre since 1935.

Survivors include two daughters of Sierra Madre: Mignon Grijalva and Lila Olson, besides two other daughters, Paula Huber of Naples, Calif. and Marcia Shelton, Laguna Niguel. A son, William A. Murphy, lives in Arcadia.

Mrs. Murphy's husband, Lloyd B. Murphy, Sr. and a son, Lloyd B. Murphy Jr., preceded her in death.

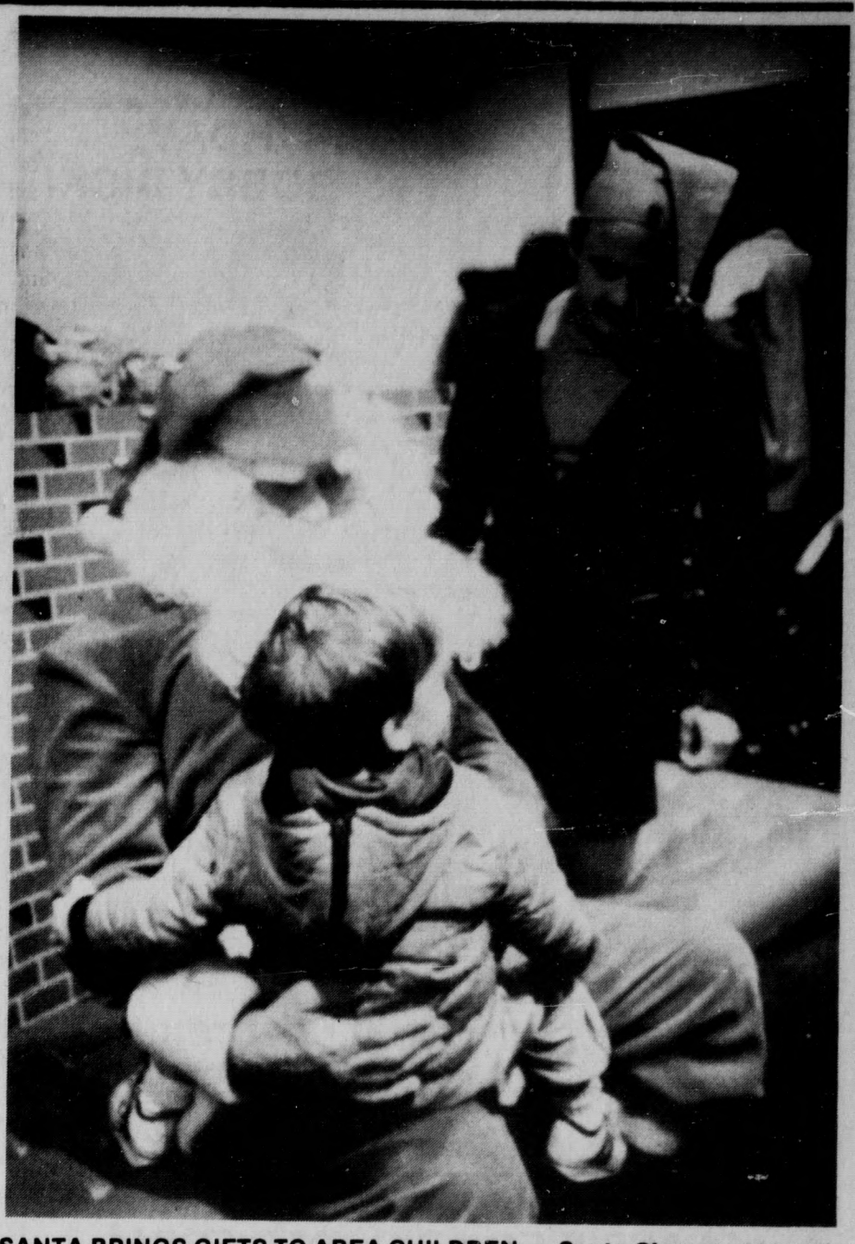
A sister, Anita Lundberg, of San Diego, 18 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren also survive.

Douglass & Zook Mortuary officiated.



BENEFIT FOR 'FIRM' — John Wiebe is shown here with Sally McGowan at a recent benefit for the "Firm," Foundation for Interim Residency for Minors. Wiebe's oil paintings were for sale and on exhibit at McGowan's estate. Here Wiebe presents McGowan with "Yellow Bird," one of his paintings. McGowan hopes this "Sierra Madre Art Showcase" will be traditional. Money goes toward the residency.

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SANTA BRINGS GIFTS TO AREA CHILDREN — Santa Claus and his elf joined the Sierra Madre Volunteer firemen in bringing stockings stuffed full of fruit and candy to all area children who came to city hall Christmas Eve. As usual, the halls were crowded with children, parents and on-lookers.

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Arthritis meeting Jan. 8

Starting in on the new 1984 season, our first meeting will be Jan. 8, 2 p.m., in Lewis Hall at the Methodist Hospital. Dr. Glenn Ehresmann, director of rehabilitation at the Huntington Memorial Hospital, will speak on "Rehabilitation and the Arthritic."

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Bethany Church New Year

Bethany Church's New Years Eve Service will be a special time of ushering in the new year together. The meeting starts at 7 p.m. for an hour of prayer and fellowship. The service will feature special music and Church Moderator Cleo Shook who will lead our devotions followed by communion. Bethany Church is located at 93 North Baldwin Ave., Sierra Madre.

Food for Thought

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featured on "AM Los Angeles," "Hour magazine," Eyewitness News," "Your New Day."



For the late night New Years Eve supper, serve onion soup covered with melted cheese — a tasty way to keep warm. To prevent that teary-eyed chopping, put onions in freezer (with brown skin removed) for 25 minutes before chopping.

Onion Soup

8 C peeled, thinly sliced onion
1C butter
8 C beef stock (canned beef broth is OK)
French bread cut in rounds with salt, freshly ground pepper to taste. Top with butter and toast.
½ C thinly sliced Jarlsberg or Gueyere cheese

Saute onions lightly in butter until transparent but not brown. Season. Slowly pour in stock and simmer for two hours. Serve in individual bowls with a piece of toast topped with cheese. Place under broiler until well melted and bubbly.



BERIBBONED POOCH PUTS UP WITH HOLIDAY — Kelly Walker came bounding into the News office, her red and green ribbons flying. She agreed to just one photo in her Christmas finery.

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A petition has been filed by Carl G. Warnick in the Superior Court of Los Angeles County requesting that Carl G. Warnick be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act.

A hearing on the petition will be held on January 6, 1984, at 10:00 a.m. in Dept. B at 300 East Walnut, Pasadena, California 91101.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should either appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

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YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may serve upon the executor or administrator, or upon the attorney for the executor or administrator, and file with the court with proof of service, a written request stating that you desire special notice of the filing of an inventory and appraisement of estate assets or of the petitions or accounts mentioned in Sections 1200 and 1200.5 of the California Probate Code.

CARL G. WARNICK,
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Signed Clifford C. Petterson
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Signed Thomas Mehren
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Roland Jules Nesbit, 1715 B So. Alamitas, Monrovia, CA 91016
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T.S. No. 14053T

On January 12, 1984 at 11:00 o'clock A.M. at the Rear Entrance in the Lobby of Safeco Title Insurance Co., 3700 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 101 in the City of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles, State of California SAFECO TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, a corporation, as Trustee under the Deed of Trust executed by Evelyn Braden recorded Oct. 14, 1980 as document no. 80-1020278 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, by reason of default in the payment or performance of obligations secured thereby including the breach or default, notice of which was recorded Aug. 29, 1983 as document no. 83-998252 of said Official Records, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in lawful money of the United States, without any covenant or warranty, express or implied, as to title, possession, or emcumbrances, for the purpose of paying obligations secured by said Deed of Trust, the interest conveyed to said Trustee by said Deed of Trust in property situated in the County of Los Angeles, State of California and described as:

Lots 213 and 214 of Tract No. 2456, in the City of Sierra Madre, as per map recorded in Book 24, Page 37 of Maps, in the office of the County Recorder of said county.

The unpaid balance and estimate of costs, expenses and advances as of December 12, 1983 is $3000.00; said amount will increase until date of sale.

The street address or other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: unimproved land.

Dated: December 12, 1983
Beneficiary: Jack R. Rech, Esq.
Address: 767 South Sunset Ave. Suite 6, Telephone (213) 960-5194, West Covina, CA. 91790
SAFECO TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Corporation, Trustee
Address: 3700 Wilshire Blvd., Telephone (213) 873-7788.
Los Angeles, CA. 90010
By: Theresa Saad, Assistant Secretary
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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
T.S. No. F-1558
NOTICE

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On Friday, January 6, 1984, at 10:00 A.M., RFS SERVICE CORPORATION, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded August 6, 1979, as inst . No. 79-864401, in book , page of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California. Executed by Robert W. Huglin and Deborah Ann Huglin, husband and wife and Wallace C. Huglin and Julia Huglin, husband and wife WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States) at the south rear entrance to Republic Federal Savings and Loan Association located 2246 North Lake Avenue, Altadena, California 91001, (213) 791-1281, Ext. 379 all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as:

Lots 16 and 17 of Tract 5065, in the City of Sierra Madre, County of Los Angeles, State of California, as per map recorded in Book 53 Page 99 of Maps, in the office of the County Recorder of said County.

The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 515 W. Montecito Avenue, Sierra Madre, CA 91024.

The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein.

Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by Deed of Trust.

The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasona e estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial pub ication of the Notice of Sale is $125,226.90.

The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located.

Date: December 15, 1983
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By Coletta M. Johnstone,
Vice President
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Officials questioned

The League of Women Voters of California, Assemblyman Richard E. Floyd, and Professor Gerald Uelmen of Loyola School of Law have filed a lawsuit in Los Angeles County Superior Court contending that a number of County public officials have illegally spent substantial amounts of public funds for partisan political purposes.

The suit accuses District Attorney Robert H. Philibosian, Los Angeles County Sheriff Sherman Block and other county officials of using public revenues illegally to develop and promote the Criminal Court Procedures Initiative, a proposed statewide ballot measure that would significantly change procedural rules governing criminal trials.

These public officials are charged with developing the measure during working hours for which they received pay at public expense, in publicly supported and maintained facilities, and with the aid of County supplies.

Members of the District Attorney's Office are accused of spending over $10,000 worth of salaried time to draft the ballot measure and a supporting legal memorandum in excess of 50 pages in length.

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Sports

From Behind the Wire

by Ed Colucci

I believe in Santa Claus, I do...I do...I do... If you saw last week's edition of the S.M.N. and looked in the personal column you saw a picture of Big Ed with a new set of legs. Last year I asked Santa Claus for a new set (preferably Jill Jones') so I could play another 10 years of baseball. And don't you know he brought them to me a week before Christmas. I love them and they look and feel great and I'll show them off to anyone. I got them through a little camera magic by the gang down at the news office, thank you Mary, Jan, George, Nan, and, of course, Jill Jones.

To catch up on a little sports, I forgot to report the All Stars of the Thursday night men's softball league won their championship a few weeks back. They took a good game over the Brewers for the top spot...5 to 4. P.J. McGuire, Dave Arden, Matt Cook and Big Hank along with the rest of the gang played like real champs. Rich Hedland and his Brewers played tuff all the way. If either team is interested I've got some new legs and would like to put those wheels to work next season...?

Well, it's "The Big One" this coming weekend and I still don't know who to root for. Will it be the fighting Illini or the Little Bears from Westwood. I've got to go for the Bruins or face Al Clifton. He knows most of the team and I'd hate to have Paul Bergman hurt my new legs...So I've got to tell you the score will be 20 to 17 in favor of the Blue and Gold. Remember last year I picked the score of that game on the nose so don't mess with me...

Hey kids, it's later than you think. Little League sign-ups are getting close. Watch the News and look for the banners around town because it should be Jan. 21.

Ron Schwartz is the new league chairman and will be doing a good job for all you kids and we can always use the support of all your parents during the new season.

Before we close, our Christmas Eve get together that we have at my home was another good one with many of the Hill people stopping in to say "Hi" and have some spirits. Our house is easy to find on that night because it's the only one on the block that's shaking. The fat guy in the red suit stopped in at midnight to leave some things for Christopher Edward who was zonked out from a milk overdose. Mama Leslie thought that next year would be soon enough for a hockey stick and Santa went on his way.

See you on the street
Big Ed

Arcadia athletes receive awards

All students who competed in fall sports, their coaches, and 22 students in particular who received special awards for their contributions were honored at fall sports night in the North Gym on the Arcadia High School Campus recently. More than 400 parents and friends attended the event.

Award winners were Chad Wohlford as Offensive Player of the Year, Steve Kruse as Defensive Player of the Year, Tom Longo was named Most Valuable Junior Varsity Player, Dennis Owen was named Most Valuable sophomore. Carole Anne Cordero received the award as Most Valuable Runner and Caryn McNamee received the Most Improved Runner award. Brad Thompson was honored as the Varsity Most Valuable Runner; Jim Ratigan received the Varsity Barista award. Steve Henrich was the Junior Varsity Most Valuable Runner, and Dan Raddon was Sophomore Most Valuable Runner. The Most Valuable Tennis Player award went to Marianne Bell and the Most Inspirational Player award to Rose Tark-

The junior varsity tennis Most Valuable Player was Tracy Watkins. The Most Inspirational Player was Kathleen Rhine.

In water polo James Julian was named Varsity Most Valuable Player; Michael Dougherty received the Varsity Most Inspirational award; Richard Stella was the recipient of the Junior Varsity Most Valuable Player award, and the frosh/soph Most Valuable Player was Stuart Goggins.

Jobs available

The Foothill Employment and Training Consortium (FETC), city of Pasadena, is now accepting applications from qualified youth between the ages of 16 through 21, who reside in Sierra Madre, for job training under the new Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA).

For further information call 577-4074 or 577-4587 or report in person to the Participant Services Center, 377 South Oak Knoll, Pasadena, between the hours of 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Rose Float nears

Continued from page 1

to apply for foundation grants. This also means that all donations to the association are tax-deductible, she says.

Liskow explains that the by-laws were changed with focus on the objectives.

"We have set up fundraising award scholarships making it possible for high school students to receive educational credit for at least 150 hours of volunteer work a semester. These students volunteer those hours and it helps them while it helps us. The local high schools are cooperating well. David Banis is chairman of the education committee within the association."

In other association news, the metal sign that Tensie Benson designed and made to indicate directions to the Rose Float Building has been stolen. The sign, installed by Jim Banis, was located on Sierra Madre Blvd. at the entrance of the drive to the building.

"Please return the sign to the Rose Float building. There will be no questions asked," Benson says.

Buses to Rose Bowl

The Southern California Rapid Transit District will run shuttle buses to the Rose Bowl after the Rose Parade has concluded to help spectators avoid traffic congestion at the Rose Bowl.

Free parking is available after 12 p.m. Jan. 2 1984 at 100 West Walnut St., the county parking structure at Marengo and Ramona Aves. (enter on Ramona), the city parking structure at Holly St. and Arroyo Parkway (enter on Union or Holly, and the Plaza Pasadena Marengo garage at Green St. and Marengo Ave.

RTD Line 177 will pick up passengers at the corner of Raymond Ave. and Colorado Blvd., and on Walnut St. between Fair Oaks and Raymond Aves. Direct service to the south entrance of the Bowl will begin after the parade and continue with buses at 4-6 minute intervals until 2:10 p.m.

Return service from the Rose Bowl after the game will be on the same 177 Line with pickup at the same locations at the south side of the Bowl. The fare is $1 roundtrip or 50 cents one way.

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December 24, 25, 26, 31
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December 26 - January 1
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January
The Reclamation Center, at the rear of Sierra Vista Park, will be operated by, and benefit, Boy Scout Troop 373.

January 5
Monthly meeting of Sierra Madre Commission on the Aging, Inc., at 3 p.m. in the City Hall council chambers. Open to public.

Sierra Madre Volunteer Fire Department's CPR class, fire station, 6:30 - 10:30. Open to anyone 8th grade and above.

January 7
Alverno High School music, dance, drama and art show.

January 7, 14, 21, 28
Senior citizens meet at the Senior Citizen House at Memorial Park for luncheon at 11 a.m. There will be election of officers at the Jan. 7 meeting.

January 7 & 14
Baseball sign ups for Little League ($30), T-Ball ($20), Girls' Softball ($25), and Pony-Colt ($30). Sign-up from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. both days at the Rec Center, Sierra Vista Park.

January 10
Chamber board meeting, council chambers. Changed from traditional first Tuesday of the month this time only.

"A Trolley for Pasadena," League of Women Voters, noon, at 1393 Washington Blvd.

City Council meeting, council chambers, 7 p.m.

January 11
La Salle High School will hold annual open house for incoming students, 7 to 9 p.m. Interested students and parents are invited to attend.

January 14
Alverno High School incoming freshman placement examination, 8:30 a.m.

January 16
Parks and Recreation Commission meeting in City Hall.

January 19
League of Women Voters, 9:30 a.m., at the home of Connie Wood, 590 Elm Ave., Sierra Madre. Chairperson, Mary Stetson.

Planning Commission meeting, City Hal.

January 23
Rose Float Association meeting, 8 p.m. in the city council chambers.

January 24
City Council meeting, council chambers, 7 p.m.

February 1
Alverno High School father - daughter banquet.

February 2
Chamber of Commerce annual installation dinner and Citizen of the Year presentation at Brookside Park Country Club.

February 4, 11, 18, 25
Senior citizens meet at the Senior Citizen House at Memorial Park for luncheon at 11 a.m.

February 6
Historical Society meeting, 7:30 p.m.

February 10
Alverno High School's "Have a Heart" dance for charity, 8 - 11 p.m.

February 14
Civic Club Dignitary Kidnap

City Council meeting, council chambers, 7 p.m.

February 16
Planning Commission meeting, City Hall.

February 19
Alverno High School group leaves for a close-up of Washington, D.C.

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It was a story of love and war. Which could have been any one of Zsa Zsa's marriages.

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Everybody stayed home to watch that show. 26 muggers in New York held going out of business robberies.

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Anybody who watched all 18 hours qualifies for a purple heart.

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ABC was delighted. They've already bought the rights to World War III.

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Japan and General Motors teamed up in 1983. Now Japan is going to teach us how to make small cars, and we're going to teach them how to pronounce "Chevrolet."

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It's the first time Japan and America teamed up on a project since the invention of the raw-fish hotdog.

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They promise to teach us a lot. Pretty soon Detroit will have a black belt in auto making.

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Originally they were going to come over to teach Detroit to commit Hari-Kari.

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1983 was the start of a new professional football league. Isn't that great? Now the raiders can not only switch cities but also leagues.

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We now have football 12 months a year. Before it just seemed that long.

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Wives may be leaving husbands all over the country. But with football on TV all year long, the husbands will never know.

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The U.S.F.L. got off to a good start. Howard Cosell is not doing their announcing.

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1983 brought royalty to California. Queen Elizabeth traveled along the west coast by boat. Someone must have warned her about our freeways.

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The queen got to California and was greeted with floods, tornadoes, and earthquakes. It's the first time she realized that England had won the Revolutionary War.

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She said "California is a nice state except the roof leaks."

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Their visit to California is one they won't forget...at least not until they get all that moss scraped off.

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Anytime she gets homesick for California, now, she'll just go out on the lawn and turn the hose on herself.

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Gary Crosby wrote a bad book about his father last year. What right does he have to do that? He's not even a music critic.

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Bing was cruel at times. He used to make them listen to his records.

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Poor Bing's got enough problems up in heaven. He never could sing to a harp accompaniment.

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"The Thornbirds" was a very realistic story about the Catholic Church. The whole time I was watching it I kept waiting for the collection.

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I don't think the church liked it. Halfway through the first hour, my set turned to a pillar of salt.

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Well, we have our first woman in space. It's the first time I've seen Gloria Steinem smile in years.

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Sally Ride is the first to accomplish every woman's dream...to be weightless.

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Sally Ride! What a great name for an astronaut, huh? I don't think they would have taken her if her name was Sally Out-of-fuel.

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We finally have equality in outer space. Now if we could only get it here.

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Drugs were discovered at the Pan Am Games this year. The games used to show who had the most athletic skill. Now they show who has the best drug store.

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One athlete could do the 100-yard dash in 10 seconds flat. But he could get to the drug store in 9.3.

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They handed one guy the shot put and he washed it down with water.

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They're loaded with drugs. One guy belched at the starting line and the guy next to him hallucinated.

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Japan opened the world's largest Disneyland. It's the only thing they have that isn't miniaturized.

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Mickey Mouse looks the same over there as he does over here except that he has a little camera around his neck.

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The Matterhorn has been replaced by Mr. Fujiyama.

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Whoever thought Snow White would one day be made in Japan?

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And naturally, the Seven Dwarfs are transistorized.

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People watched those mini-series on TV this past year. It's different nowadays to watch something that isn't going to be cancelled half way through.

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Mini-series...that's anything that runs over 10 hours and has Richard Chamberlain in it.

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They're on every night of the week. I can't watch them. I can't do anything 5 nights in a row.

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Brooke Shields became a freshman at Princeton this past September. If the guys there weren't Princeton Tigers before, they sure are now.

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If Princeton didn't have a student body before, they have one now.

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It's fun to watch kids grow. Especially one that grows the way Brooke Shields did.

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Lech Walesa won the Nobel Peace Prize in '83. Isn't that ironic? I think he'd rather they keep the prize and just let him have some peace.

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They had a big party in the streets of Poland. Everybody who wasn't under house arrest came to it.

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Lech Walesa is a simple man who just was awarded $190,000 along with the Nobel Peace Prize. He's been beseiged with calls from Heads of State, Kings, Queens, Insurance Salesmen...

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The Polish Government feels that this award was given to a troublemaker. To get even, next year they're going to nominate John McEnroe.

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"The Day After" was among the most watched shows of all times. Those others were the last episode of MASH, the last episode of "The Fugitive," and now the last episode of the earth as we know it.

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"The Day After"...That's the show that put Lawrence, Kansas on the map...and then blew it off again.

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It was about a nuclear bomb that hit Kansas. We've come a long way since the "Wizard of Oz."

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Right in the middle of the show, they still ran deodorant commercials. They assumed that people would still have armpits.

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Everybody stayed home and watched it. Of course, they were afraid to go out.

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Aerobic exercise became the biggest fad in 1983. They have all kinds of aerobic exercise shows on television nowadays. They're great — they're like Playboy Centerfolds that are good for you.

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Everybody's into aerobics. Sweat has become our nation's leading industry.

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If you go somewhere in the morning, all you see are joggers. I'm almost embarrassed to be in a car.

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What gets me is if everyone is jogging, how come when I get where I'm going, I can't find a parking space?

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Design is easy for Ty Adams

When the "Top Banana" in early day minstrel shows instructed his black-faced companions, "Gentlemen, be seated," he didn't have the comfort to offer them what Ty Adams has today. Adams has designed a successful chair, a feat that sits well with this Arcadian who says he's a Sierra Madrean in his heart.

Adams is an industrial designer; however, he's learned another thing well: how to design a good Rose Float. The design he and Cindy Benson came up with for the Sierra Madre float is another winner. And this is their third Sierra Madre Rose Float design to catch the judges' eyes.

This year's float, "A Salute to the Volunteer," featuring the Sierra Madre Search and Rescue Team, was planned as a pay back, he grins. "Five of us were rescued by Search and Rescue Team members eight years ago above Orchard Camp. I broke my leg in a small avalanche and they pulled me out."

For Ty Adams, having his Rose Float design chosen was the ultimate. And designing a successful chair that could sell is another ultimate.

When he was an Arcadia child growing up he was "kind of a loner who liked to put things together." He attended Anoakia and Highland Oaks, and the Rose Float was a way and a place for him to "get my hands dirty."

His industrial design knowledge has given him a place and a way of realizing that dream also.

Although he has been out of school since May (after graduating from Long Beach State, he has already broken the champagne bottle over the bow of success with his revolutionary chair design he calls the Anthropom. And again, as with the Rose Float design, he has been able to "see the entire process from the concept through production," working in a three-dimensional base.

As the Rose Float design must be beautiful but also functional, his chair had to be "comfortable but not too comfortable." It had to find "that sweet spot between being comfortable and not comfortable" because it was to be used for 24-hr. shifts by computer operators. Adams needed to recall ergonomics (the study of the human body and its perameters, according to Adams). He also needed to design a handsome and operative chair.

And, like the award-winning Volkswagen ads that said, "It goes uphill and it goes downhill," Adams' chair can be raised and lowered three inches with the help of the gas cylinder located on the tube between the chair and its feet. "It fits a small woman or a tall man," he explains. Was this a three-year dream? No, it took only six months from design to actual production, Adams says. All that for a chair that sells from between $500-$889.

This classic creature, showing the warmth of wood and the sleekness of metal, can be taken apart for reupholstering by removing only four bolts.

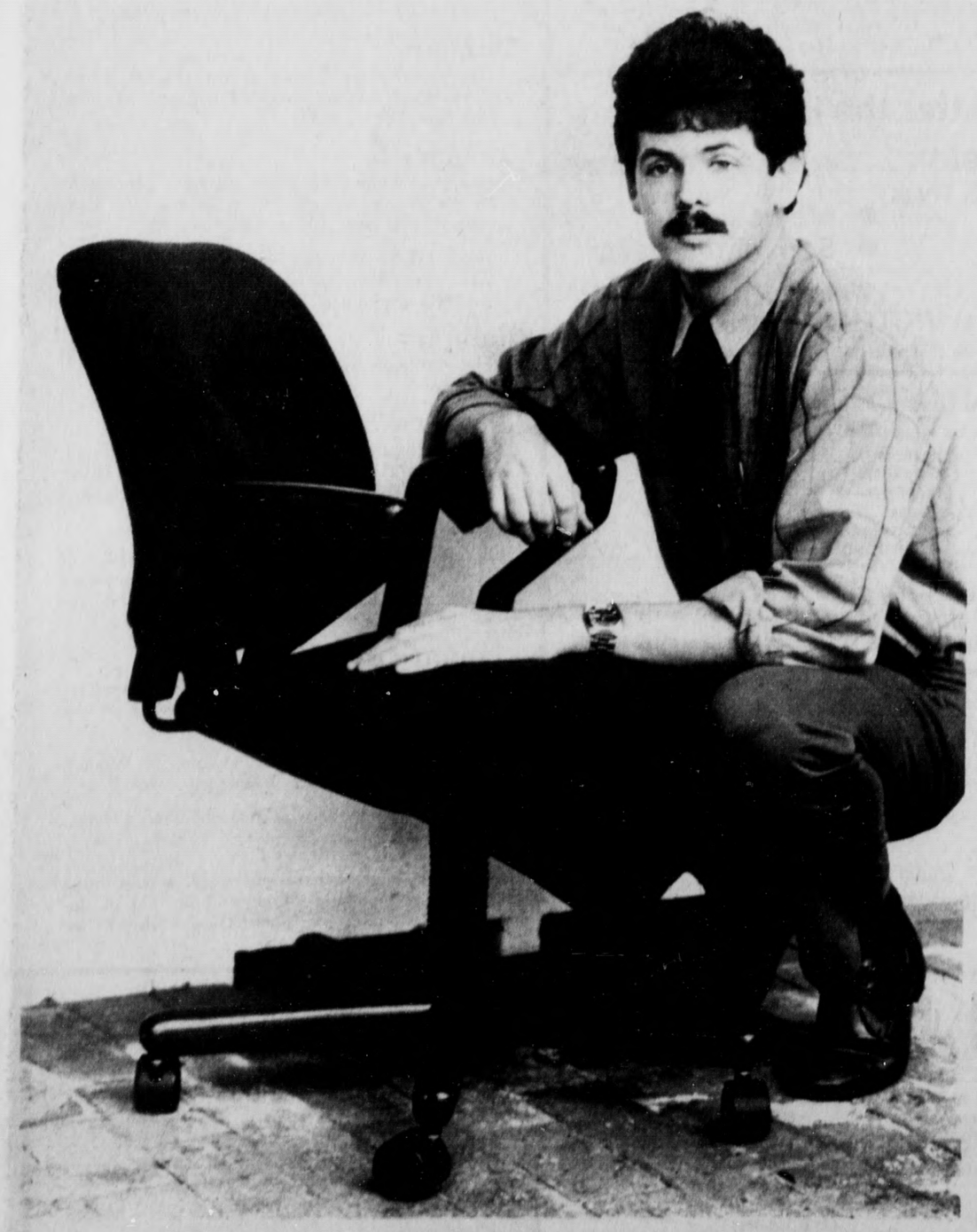
Adams did at least 50 drawings of the chair arms alone. "Always in the back of my mind I remembered that we had to manufacture this product so I had to be honest."

He continues, "We spend one-third of our lives in chairs. The chair must not just be an image but must work."

He has his own consulting business, working in his studio in Belmont Shores, for three years. For awhile he worked for Chastain, an auto access louvres maker. Then he freelanced for awhile before going over to Executive Office Concepts (EOC) with his Anthroporn chair. "They needed wood groups to match their other products leading to the computer age . . . a chair that works for all."

Adams explains the role of an industrial designer — someone who likes to work with his hands and think with his mind. "Industrial design is visualizing form, creativity, common knowledge put together in perfect union." An industrial designer must be "willing to break rules. What I like best is the 'hands on' aspect."

He fits into his family well — he has a brother who is a scientist and a sister who is an artist. His parents, known to most Sierra Madreans, are Ranney and Marjean Adams in Arcadia.



Ty Adams